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Planning Department Newsletter

CITY INITIATES “COLLEGE HILL TOMORROW” PROGRAM

In last month's newsletter, we announced the Planning Commission's scheduled forum to accept public input on College Hill issues. This kick-off meeting for the "College Hill Tomorrow" program took place on October 10 at City Hall, with approximately 40 citizens in attendance. This project is being conducted to refine the College Hill study report produced earlier this year by consultant Studio Cascade, Inc. into a formal strategy to improve conditions on the hill. As noted in previous articles on this subject, the College Hill study was jointly funded by the city and WSU.

The October 10 session began with a presentation by planning staff. In this presentation, staff outlined past city workshops and planning efforts pertaining to this neighborhood and provided information on anticipated actions relative to the College Hill Tomorrow program. Staff then outlined the major issues on the hill and the community's response to these issues over the years.

Next, the Planning Commission offered citizens in attendance the opportunity to add to staff's list of issues on College Hill. Through this process, a total of 13 issues were identified. Then, the Commission asked each audience member to select from this list the three most significant issues, ranked in priority order, on index cards supplied to each participant. The results of this poll (shown below) were presented at the meeting. (Total points were determined by assigning three points to the most significant issue, two points to the second most significant issue, and one point to the third most significant issue from each ballot.)

Land Use/Zoning/Design—61

Property Maintenance—33

Parking—33

Unruly Behavior—27

Lighting Deficiencies—21

Code Enforcement/Implementation—14

Historic Preservation—13

Infrastructure/Maintenance—10

Noise—9

Traffic—6

WSU Expansion—5

Sidewalk Deficiencies—3

Reconciling Value Differences—1

Following this exercise, the Commission entertained public input. In all, 18 individuals offered oral or written comments. The opinions expressed by these individuals included the following:

- new development should respect the historic character of the neighborhood
- the hill has reached or exceeded its resident carrying capacity
- the parking problems on the hill are caused not just by commuters, but also by residents and their guests
- a stronger police presence and better overall code enforcement would improve the neighborhood
- the issues on College Hill are not unique to Pullman and the community can learn

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- from the successes of other college towns
- the Greek community is a significant part of the College Hill area and should be consulted on neighborhood planning efforts
- the establishment of more businesses offering basic supplies on the hill should be promoted to minimize vehicle use
- expansion of businesses on the hill is a concern—especially if this involves additional taverns

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Commission announced the next steps in the process. The College Hill Tomorrow program will continue with planning staff interviews of stakeholders, followed by an open house where preliminary goals and potential land use scenarios for the hill will be presented for public comment. Watch for announcements of these future activities in upcoming editions of this newsletter.

2010 CENSUS ON THE HORIZON

It may come as a surprise to learn that the planning department is already involved in preparations for the 2010 U.S. Census. The Census, described in Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution, calls for an actual enumeration of the country's population every ten years. It is utilized for apportionment of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, configuration of state legislative and congressional districts, distribution of funds for various governmental programs, and identification of future needs for public facilities and services at the local level. In addition to demographic data, the Census provides housing and economic information that is quite useful for gaining a better understanding of a community.

Since the Census is such a large undertaking, the U.S. Census Bureau starts laying the groundwork for the event well ahead of time. Currently, the agency is offering local governments the opportunity to review and, if necessary, adjust the Census Bureau's official list of addresses and streets. Under this program, called the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA), each participating city and county is provided an address list and maps for the area within its jurisdiction to determine if additions, deletions, or revisions are appropriate. All of the information identifying specific addresses is kept

strictly confidential by all parties—both at the Census Bureau and at the local government level. The address data provided by the Bureau may only be used for the LUCA program; it cannot be used by a city or county for any other purpose (e.g., code enforcement).

Planning staff has already attended a training session on the LUCA program, and we expect to receive pertinent material from the Census Bureau within the next two months. Once the city receives the information, it has 120 days to respond back to the agency with any changes. Future editions of this newsletter will report on the planning department's progress in preparing for the 2010 Census.

2010 Census LUCA Training Workshop

Correcting a Street Name

2010 Census Local Update of Census Addresses Program ADDRESS LIST												
Form: LUCA-1 (Rev. 10/2007)												
Date: 05/22/2007												
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LINE NUMBER (1)	MAILING CODE (2)	ACTION CODE (3)	Census Geography (4)				HOUSE NUMBER (5A)	City-Style Mail Delivery Address or 3-911 Address or Physical Location Description and Road Name (5)			APR/UNIT NUMBER (5B)	ZIP CODE (5C)
			STATE COUNTY CODE (4A)	CENSUS TRACT NUMBER (4B)	CENSUS BLOCK NUMBER (4C)	PRECINCT POINT (4D)		STREET OR ROAD NAME (5A)	PHYSICAL LOCATION DESCRIPTION OR GROUP QUARTERS NAME (5B)			
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14	110100000	C	11001	2422.00	4001			Ryan St				
15	110100000	C	11001	2422.00	4001			Ryan St				
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17	110100000	C	11001	2422.00	4002			Ryan St				
18	110100000	C	11001	2422.00	4002			Ryan St				

Form: LUCA-1 (Rev. 10/2007)
U.S. Department of Commerce
U.S. Census Bureau

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Action Codes: C - Correct D - Delete J - Not in Jurisdiction R - Residential

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Helping You Make Informed Decisions

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This example shows how revisions are made to the Census Bureau's address list.



Pending Land Use Applications

Displayed below are land use applications submitted to the planning or public works department or city-generated proposals for planning provisions that require a public meeting, public notice, or site plan review in accordance with the city code.

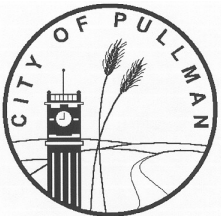
PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	STATUS
Critical Areas Ordinance Revisions	proposed amendments to city's ordinance regarding environmentally sensitive areas	citywide	draft amendments transmitted to state; CC scheduled to review final ordinance on 11/6
Hinrichs Annexation	annex 37 acres to the city	west of Sunnyside Park and north of SW Old Wawawai Road	staff reviewing legal description of property
Askins Annexation	annex 35 acres to the city	Johnson Road south of the Village Centre Cinemas	CC accepted annexation on 4/3; city awaiting petition from applicant
Crimson and Gray Subdivision No. 1 Preliminary Plat	divide 12.0 acres into 42 lots in an R2 district	west of N. Grand Avenue between Terre View Drive and Albion Road	PC recommended approval on 10/24; CC meeting scheduled for 11/6
Bryant House Special Valuation	request for special property tax valuation for single family house rehabilitation	1005 NE Maple Street	LC meeting scheduled for 11/28
LDS Church Conditional Use Permit (C-07-8)	construct 16,600-sq-ft church and parking lot on 4-acre parcel	520 NW Park View Drive	staff reviewing application
Beasley Conditional Use Permit Extension Request (C-06-3)	extend for 2 years the approval period for a permit involving construction of a 15- & 12-unit apartment building on 3.2 acres	215 NW Clay Court	staff approved application; appeal period ends 11/5
University Park Substantial Development Permit (No. 76)	construct 39,000-sq-ft commercial/residential building near S. Fork of Palouse River	630 E. Main Street	staff approved permit on 10/29; permit transmitted to DOE
Wal-Mart Supercenter SEPA determination and site plan	develop 223,000-sq-ft store on a 28-acre site	south of SE Harvest Drive/ Bishop Boulevard intersection	Superior Court judge denied PARD appeal on 10/18/06; PARD filed appeal with Court of Appeals on 11/27/06
Crimson Village site plan (07-2)	develop mixed-use retail/residential buildings totaling 66,000 sq ft on 10.5-acre lot	1000 block of SE Bishop Boulevard	staff requested applicant to revise site plan
Anita's Townhouses site plan (07-4)	build two housing units on 6,016-sq-ft lot	1055 NE B Street	staff requested applicant to revise site plan
Tomason Place Apartments site plan (07-11)	establish 26-unit apartment building on 82,600-sq-ft parcel	555 NE Terre View Drive	staff requested applicant to revise site plan
Hospital Parking Lot Addition site plan (07-15)	established 37-stall parking lot	835 SE Bishop Boulevard	staff requested applicant to revise site plan
Paradise Lofts site plan (07-17)	develop 9 dwellings atop commercial space on 5,400-sq-ft lot	435 SE Paradise Street	staff requested applicant to revise site plan
Water Tank No. 10 site plan (07-20)	install city water tank and control house on 33,500-sq-ft parcel	south of 1700 block of SW Casey Court	staff requested applicant to revise site plan

KEY TO ZONING DISTRICTS: R1 Single Family Residential; RT Residential Transitional; R2 Low Density Multi-Family Residential; R3 Medium Density Multi-Family Residential; R4 High Density Multi-Family Residential; C1 Neighborhood Commercial; C2 Central Business District; C3 General Commercial; I1 Light Industrial; I2 Heavy Industrial; IRP Industrial Research Park; WSU Washington State University

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS: CC: City Council; PC: Planning Commission; BOA: Board of Adjustment; DOE: State Department of Ecology; LC: Landmarks Commission

NOTES: 1) If an applicant fails to act on a pending application for a period of six months, said application will be dropped from the above list.. 2) Numbers in parentheses are planning staff's internal file numbers. 3) Site plan review by city staff is generally conducted for proposed construction of developments other than single family homes, duplexes, or manufactured homes; it does not apply to most construction on the WSU campus.





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